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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This submission responds to the Office Action of January 18, 2001. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 10, line 29, with the following replacement paragraph:

Handle 78 also includes cam 90, which protrudes beyond the right edge of hard drive 58. At a point during the insertion of assembly 54 into bay 98, protruding cam 90 makes contact with shoulder 108 provided on the side of bay 98, as shown in FIG. 5B. After cam 90 makes contact with shoulder 108, the continued application of insertion force causes hard drive assembly 54 to move rearward into the bay 98 and additionally causes handle 78 to rotate about axis 82 to move from the open position to the closed position. As shown in FIG. 5C, just as assembly 54 is fully inserted into bay 98, handle 78 rotates such that first latch 84

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